

To Our Subscribers.

It becomes necessary, occasionally, in these strenuous times, to call upon our friends and patrons for some financial aid, and we hope this little appeal will not be in vain. Regardless of the fact that everything used in the makeup of a paper is soaring in price, we have never raised a farthing, although if we take in exchange farm products, we pay about three times what we formerly paid. Now, this is no fault of the farmer, but the point we are making is that it is three times as easy for the farmer to pay for his paper as heretofore, whether he pays in cash or with products of the soil. From year to year we have worked on, uncompromisingly; our patrons, in the main, standing squarely by us, but there are many others, who, in spite of our efforts and lenience towards them, remain in arrears, and these are the ones to whom we are addressing ourselves. Our bills for material, etc. are payable on demand, and if we fail to collect, our business will certainly go to the bad. On Monday, Sept. 3, court will convene here, and we most earnestly insist that all those who are behind with us, come in and settle, as it is imperative that we make collections at that time. Do not console yourself that this is intended for the other fellow—it is intended for YOU, that is, if you owe anything on our books. If you are not a subscriber, call in and enlist with the army of Democrat readers.

Some Rainbow Trout.

On Sunday evening last, Mr. Edmund Jones, Jr. with Sergeant Roin, Lovill and Messrs. Russell Maltba, Ed. Hodges and Cleveland Gross, members of Battery E, stationed at Lenoir, came over for the two-fold purpose of the soldier boys visiting home folks and friends, and trying their luck at extracting some of the rainbow trout from a dam owned by Mr. Maltba, in which this particular species abound in great numbers. The evening was pleasantly spent, and early Monday morning, stripped of uniforms and other army paraphernalia, hid themselves to the much coveted spot. It was decided to draw the water from the pond, instead of using hook and line. This was done, and the fun began. Into the water and mud waded the young soldiers, and all they had to do was to select the fish they wanted, for they were there in great numbers. 126 of the best were selected many of the very finest specimens ever seen in this section being among the number; the major part of which were taken to camp in Lenoir, for they were notified by Capt. Williams, when given their leave of absence, that court martial was inevitable if they returned without fish. All were delighted to see the boys again, and pleased to know that their visit home was so full of pleasure in seeing loved ones, and the genuine fun their fishing experience afforded.

Date of Mobilization Changed.

A Washington dispatch of the 20th says: "Mobilization of the second increment of draft troops was today changed from September 15 to 19 and the third increment from September 30 to October 3. Mobilization of the first increment will be as previously announced."

Honor Roll.

Boone Graded School, July 25 to August 18
FIRST GRADE.
Faye Bingham, Helen Anders, Beatrice Culler, Beadie Ray, Lucy Bingham, Ralph Farthing, Harrison Moretz, William Norrie, Walter Edmisten, Howard Culler, Edgar Brown.
SECOND GRADE.

Red Cross Ball at Green Park Hotel.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT: One of the most pleasant social events, of the unusually gay season at this famous resort, was the Red Cross Ball given at Green Park Hotel last Saturday night. The spacious ball room had been appropriately decorated for the occasion, and it was crowded early in the evening by a gay and happy throng, many persons coming quite a distance for the occasion. The music was good and many graceful dancers were among those participating. There were many handsome and expensive costumes worn by the ladies, while among the gentlemen dancers the soldier boys in their uniforms of khaki were much in evidence. There was an admission fee of 50 cents each charged at the door and the snug sum of \$101.00 was realized for the Red Cross work.

The season is still on at full height here, nearly all the hotels and boarding houses being crowded to their full capacity. The roads are in excellent condition and the travel to this place is the greatest for many seasons and gives promise of extending far into the autumn.

READER.

Blowing Rock, Aug. 21.

All Day Service Planned.

Rev. M. A. Adams announced from his pulpit, and the people of the community have been noting the fact, that, on Saturday, Sept. 5, when our first increment of thirty soldier boys are to be mobilized in Boone, there will be all-day religious and patriotic services here, with dinner on the ground. Mr. Adams also suggests that the people of the county purchase khaki-covered Testaments, for Watauga's full quota of 91 men, and have them on hand Sept. 5. The little volumes, which might mean so much for our soldier boys, cost only 40 cents each, and quite a number have pledged themselves for the price of one copy. If you are interested, hand the amount to Mr. G. P. Hagaman at once. Don't delay. Time is short.

A Word From Rev. Carpenter.

Rev. M. L. Carpenter, who is taking treatment for a very serious scrofulous trouble, in a Baltimore hospital, writes under date of August 14:
"I took my fifth treatment of radium today. The Drs. are now of the opinion that it will be a success. It may be a week or two yet before it is completed. I was much discouraged for a few days but am feeling fine now. I do not know when I will be back to Watauga; will likely have to rest, after the treatment is over, as I am very much weakened from the suffering I have gone thru. I often think of you all, and would ask all the good people in Watauga to pray. Wish you and all the people God's richest blessings."

NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga county. Having qualified as administrator of the estate of J. C. Moretz, dec'd, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate settlement with me, and all persons having claims against the said estate are notified to present same for payment within twelve months from date hereof or this notice will be placed in bar of their right to recover. This August 7, 1917.

JOHN W. HODGES, Adm'r.
F. A. LINNEY, ATTORNEY.

Council Cook, Edgar Cook, Dudley Council.

THIRD GRADE:

Mabel Bingham, Norma Brown, Alice Council, Allie Colvard, Ruby Cottrell, Howard Cottrell, Ralph Cottrell, Grant Hodges, Margaret Hodges, Grace Gragg, Hazel Harmon, Glenn Lewis, Billie Lovill, Kenneth Linney, Luster Ragan, Pearl Norris, Violet Richardson.

FOURTH GRADE.

Fred Blair, Thomas Brown, Louise Coffey, Charles Farthing, Closter Hartley, Margaret Linney, Bower Hartzog, Justin Ragan, Stuart Winkler, Blain Trivett, Maude Moody.

SIXTH GRADE.

Nellie Coffey, Eula Hodges.

SEVENTH GRADE.

Virgie Mae Waters and Ling Fletcher.

SALE OF LAND FOR TAXES.

By virtue of the power vested in me by law, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder at the courthouse door in Boone, Watauga county, N. C., on the 6th day of Sept., 1917, the following lands for delinquent taxes for the year 1916. The cost of levy and advertising is added in each case:

BOONE TOWNSHIP.	
Etta Brown 57 acres	\$2 13
Mrs. J. H. Brown 45 acres	6 81
John Barnes 30 acres	1 44
Martin Bentley 15 acres	2 23
Willie J. Cook 1 acre	1 12
S. and E. Cook 35 acres	3 59
M. P. Critcher three town lots	
taxes for 1915 and 1916	27 08
Ben E. Caudell 31 acres	5 20
J. B. Call 1 acre	.90
Cam Church 25 acres	1 67
C. C. Church 25 acres	4 30
B. S. Dugger 1/2 of an acre	7 38
Dugger B. S. guar. 12 acres	3 52
Hardin Eldred 29 acres	2 92
W. R. Eldridge 32 acres	1 31
M. F. Fletcher one town lot	2 48
B. A. Foster 31 acres	4 29
T. M. Green 31 acres	2 33
D. L. Green 30 acres	5 71
John M. Green 100 acres	3 96
W. H. Green 16 acres	2 29
T. R. Gragg 72 acres	6 18
John M. Greer 166 acres	4 79
Larkin Green 6 acres	.96
Lizzie Hodges 57 acres	4 66
Mrs. C. M. Hodges 32 acres	
taxes for 1916 and 1916	4 57
J. G. Hodges 43 acres	6 35
J. C. Hodges 16 acres	2 99
G. W. Hayes 10 acres	2 37
J. C. Horton 193 acres	27 47
J. B. Horton 89 acres	11 15
J. C. Horton & Bro. 75 acres	12 30
Rachel Hartley 50 acres	4 99
D. E. Hartley 100 acres	10 74
J. E. Hayes 4 acres	.99
J. R. Hagaman 95 acres	6 82
S. T. Isenhour 80 acres	4 78
R. G. Lane 48 acres	2 64
Irving J. Miller one town lot	2 02
Miss Mary Michael 2 town lots	1 72
G. V. Moretz 4 acres	4 90
R. L. Maltba 50 acres	6 49
G. W. Spanking 1 town lot	6 46
W. T. Storie 60 acres	5 94
Ed Sherwood 10 acres	1 35
W. A. Stokes 36 acres	2 74
Winkler, Mrs. Winkler 93 acres	14 12
Miles Winebarger 2 acres	4 59
P. C. Wyke 4 1/2 acres	1 04
E. P. Whittington 10 acres	5 99
F. M. Maltba 50 acres	3 74
Tabitha Oxentine 75 acres	2 96
N. E. Presnell 1 town lot	1 48
J. F. Robbins 3 town lots, taxes for 1915 and 1916	12 66
J. F. Robbins automobile tax for 1915 and 1916	20 00
Miss Sallie Ray 24 acres	2 62
A. D. Reynolds 5 acres	1 11
Jas. Smith 30 acres	1 92
I. L. Smith 23 acres	3 70

ELK TOWNSHIP.

E. P. Hodges, 58 acres	\$2.98
A. F. Hampton, 150 acres	5.60
J. R. Hodges (heirs) 575 acres	21.34
taxes for 1915 & 1916	
Jacob Hodges 75 acres	2.95
N. S. Hampton 30 acres	1.44
J. C. Horton & heirs 200 acres	5.60
S. J. Miller, 33 acres	1.52
E. B. Miller, 13 acres	1.03
Rilda Rimer, 60 acres	1.67
H. J. Rimer, 48 acres	2.25
W. W. Reynolds 87 acres	2.00
D. M. Shell, 55 acres	6.34
Alfus Triplett, 240 acres	18.63
Coga Triplett, 40 acres	10.17
Gran Triplett 55 acres	5.38
J. W. Wheeler, 7 acres	3.84
Lou Wheeler, 50 acres	1.72
Sidney Watson 64 acres	3.17
Henry Wheeling 23 acres	1.52
W. A. Wheeling 70 acres	2.34
Mills Winebarger 4 acres	.78

COVE CREEK TOWNSHIP.

L. D. Bryan 20 acres	\$1 84
M. C. Cornett 11 acres	3 05
W. H. Cornett 35 acres	5 79
W. D. Davis 10 acres	2 16
Mrs. Callie Eggers 25 acres	2 17
Enory Eggers 7 acres	1 56
J. W. Fletcher 35 acres	4 15
C. W. Greer 80 acres	3 84
Thos. Greer 3 1/2 acres	5 10
A. Grogan 22 1/2 acres	3 18
J. S. Hodges 20 acres	2 15
I. G. Hodges 16 1/2 acres	3 97
J. W. Hodges 61 acres	4 02
John Henson 16 acres	2 66
Cands Isaacs 1/2 acre	.99
Boone Isaacs 18 acres	5 67
Hill Isaacs 12 acres	1 93
W. G. Johnson 24 acres	4 36
P. J. Miller 5 acres	.98
J. M. Moretz 1 acre	.82
J. P. McCurry 33 acres	5 99
W. P. Musgrave 5 acres	4 22
E. B. Miller 325 acres	11 12
Sherman Moretz 3 acres	4 12
J. D. Moretz 3 1/2 acres	1 36
Louisa Miller 9 acres	1 44
G. C. Norris 3 acres	3 58
J. C. Norris 72 acres	7 54
R. C. Norris 20 1/2 acres	4 08
W. F. Oliver 10 acres	2 47
R. J. Perry 25 acres	6 71
S. J. Price 262 acres	15 60
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John Reese 3 acres	3 75
J. G. Ragan 26 1/2 acres	3 19
A. C. Reese 104 acres	10 46
A. C. Reese & Bro. 1,100 acres	53 64
Mrs. M. J. Smith 14 acres	2 36
C. W. Smith 16 acres	5 39
D. Stanbury 40 acres	7 42
E. J. Smith 24 acres	5 02

Farm For Sale.

1 1/2 miles from Shulls Mills on the Boone road. Contains a dwelling house of 6 rooms, finished with best material and painted, large barn, crib, apple house and cellar combined, spring house etc., all practically new. Over 200 fruit trees of choice varieties mostly young trees just beginning to bear, plenty of pasture, two meadows, and plenty of tenable land. If you want a bargain call on, or write
J. R. GRAGG,
Shulls Mills, N. C.

Entry Notice No. 2540.

State of North Carolina, Watauga county, Office of entry taker for said county.
S. J. Church, J. C. Storie, J. L. Storie and R. C. Crow locate and enter 640 acres of land in Blue Ridge township Beginning on J. C. Cooks and M. M. Moore's corner on top of Blue Ridge near the Thunder Hill and runs with the Moore line to Jesse Hodges line, then with said line to S. J. Ford line then with said Ford line to Buffalo spring then down said branch, near J. T. Ford's house, thence to begin line so as to include all the vacant land in said boundary. Entered August 7, 1917.

H. J. HARDIN, E. T.

W. H. WAKEFIELD, M. D.
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Wilson W. L. 35 acres	3 35
T. H. Wilson 31 acres	4 35
R. L. Wilson 56 1/2 acres	6 90
Solomon Younce 1 acre	1 13
G. W. Younce 1/2 acre	5 28
W. M. Yarbber 6 acres	.95
P. C. Younce 40 acres	13 65
P. C. Younce store, 1916	6 72

NORTH FORK TOWNSHIP.

E. A. Ellison 25 acres	8 10
Victoria Hamby 27 acres	1 73
G. W. Johnson 135 acres	9 05
Robert Johnson 33 acres	4 93
D. F. Maine 33 1/2 acres	5 43
H. H. Maine 41 acres	5 64
E. B. Miller 15 acres	2 84
Ira Potter 10 acres	8 81
J. O. J. Potter 58 acres	11 51
C. S. Potter 261 acres, taxes for 1915 and 1916	17 74
Clarence Potter 61 acres	1 50
Robert Reese 16 1/2 acres	1 26
C. S. Snyder 27 acres	4 31
Mrs. M. A. Shelton 105 acres	3 38
B. H. Shelton 20 acres	4 33
J. C. Shelton 10 acres	4 01
W. F. Trivett 1/2 acre	3 66
C. M. Trivett, guar. 28 acres	2 32
M. L. Wells 2 acres	1 00
M. R. Wilson 35 acres	8 77

Remainder of property on which the taxes have not been paid will be advertised at once. Ample notice has been given. This Aug 1, 1917.

W. P. MOODY, Sheriff.

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Mast, N. C. Wednesday, August 29th.
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Blowing Rock, N. C. Friday, August 31st.

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GRADUATE OF OPTOMETRY, Philadelphia Optical College,
REFRACTIONIST, Medico Chirurgical Hospital,
RETINESCOPIST, Pennsylvania College of Optics and Ophthalmology,
OPTOMETRIST, South Eastern Eye Dispensary.

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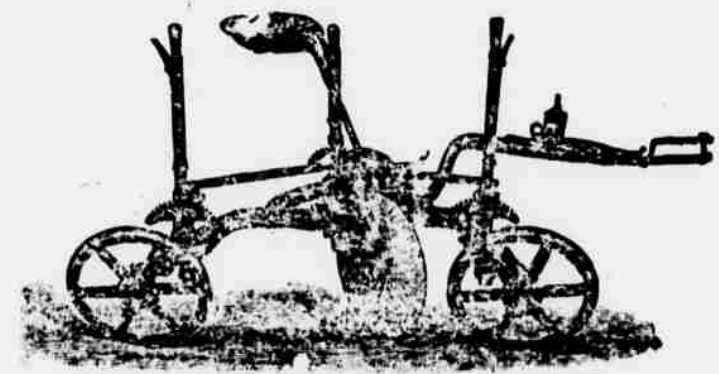
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